

REMARKS

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Support for amendments to the claims are found throughout the specification and claims as originally filed, in particular in original claims 1-18. Amendments to the claims do not introduce new matter and entry of these amendments is respectfully requested.

Response to Restriction Requirement:

Election of invention In response to the Restriction Requirement dated May 8, 2009 Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group VII, Claims 28-30, for examination on the merits. Claim 28 has been amended to incorporate elements of original claim 1, such that claim 28 is now an independent claim. New claims 31-47 depend from claim 28, and recite components recited in original claims 2-18, for use in the method of claim 28.

Election of species In response to the requirement for election of a species of component C, Applicants hereby elect an antibody fragment as recited in claims 43-45.

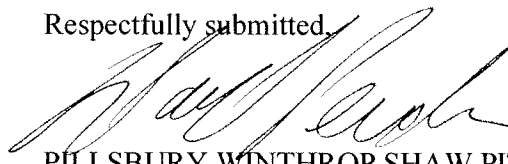
New claims 46 and 47, depending from claim 43, are currently withdrawn from consideration as directed to a non-elected species. Upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant will be entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.141.

CONCLUSION

Claims 1-30 are pending. Claim 28 is currently amended. Claims 1-27 are cancelled without prejudice. Claims 31-47 are new. Claims 46 and 47 are currently withdrawn from consideration as directed to an unelected species. Thus, claims 28-47 are currently pending and claims 28-45 are presented for examination on the merits.

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